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OBSERVATION REQUIREMENTS FOR HOISTING ENGINEER CERTIFICATION

Company Name:			
Mine Name and No: Date:			
Mine Index No:			
Applicant's Name:			
Applicant's Address:			
Applicant's Date of Birth:			
Name and certification number of <u>active</u> certified hoisting engineer present at observation site:			
1.	Type and capacity of hoist used:		
2.	Are persons transported into or out of the mine by means of hoist: Regularly \square , O An Emergency	ccasionally□: or In	
3.	Did applicant provide a general description of the hoist? Yes No		
4.	Did applicant respond correctly to oral questions (see reverse) asked by the observer? Yes \square No \square (If no please explain)		
	Explanation:		
5.	Did applicant demonstrate and sound signaling devices? Yes No		
6.	Did applicant lower a loaded trip into the shaft or slope? Yes No		
7.	Did applicant inspect cable fastenings, safety chains, breaks, etc., <u>prior to dropping the loaded trip in the mine?</u> Yes No		
8. Did applicant bring the loaded trip to a premature stop at some point along the shaft or slope to demonstrate ability to control the trip? Yes No			
Co	mments:		
APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE:			
HOISTING ENGINEER'S SIGNATURE:			
OBSERVER'S SIGNATURE:			
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HOISTING ENGINEER CERTIFICATION ORAL EXAMINATION QUESTIONS:

- 1. WHEN SHALL A HOISTING ENGINEER BE ON DUTY OR AVAILABLE? (45.1-161.159)
- 2. WHAT SHALL THE HOISTING ENGINEER INSPECT AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH SHIFT? (45.1-161.158)
- 3. EXPLAIN THE TWO INDEPENDENT MEANS OF HOIST SIGNALS USED.
- 4. WHAT IS A HOIST REQUIRED TO BE EQUIPPED WITH BEFORE MEN CAN BE TRANSPORTED? (OVERSPEED, OVERWIND AUTOMATIC STOP CONTROLS THE HOIST ENGINEER SHOULD BE ABLE TO POINT THESE DEVICES OUT).
- 5. WHAT IS THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF MINERS THAT CAN RIDE THE HOIST AT ONE TIME? (MANUFACTURER SPECIFIED OR CHIEF CAN DETERMINE)
- 6. WHAT TYPE OF BACKUP (POWER SOURCE) IS AVAILABLE FOR USE IN CASE THE POWER CIRCUIT TO THE HOIST FAILS? (LOCATE AND DEMONSTRATE VERBALLY)
- 7. WHAT SPEED CAN THE HOIST BE OPERATED WHEN MINERS ARE BEING HOISTED OR LOWERED? (MAX. 1000 FT. PER MIN. 45.1-161.160)
- 8. HOW OFTEN SHALL TESTING OF SAFETY CATCHES ON CAGES BE MADE? (ONCE PER MONTH 45.1-161.158.e)
- 9. WHAT SAFETY FACTOR MUST HOISTING ROPES HAVE TO HOIST OR LOWER MINERS? (AT LEAST 10:1 RATIO)
- 10. WHAT TYPE TESTING AND CHANGE OUT PROGRAM DO YOU HAVE FOR HOISTING ROPES?